

Amendments to the Specification

Page 11, please replace paragraph 5, lines 21-22, with the following paragraph:

| Fig. 1 is a ~~front~~left side view of a hydraulic excavator to which the present invention is applied;

Page 11, please replace paragraph 23, lines 23 to page 12, line 1 with the following paragraph:

| Fig. 2 is a ~~back~~right side view of the hydraulic excavator of Fig. 1;

Page 12, please replace paragraph 2, lines 2-3 with the following paragraph:

| Fig. 3 is a ~~right-hand~~back side view of the hydraulic excavator of Fig. 1;